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SUBJECT: US-SPANISH COUNCIL

1. FOLLOWING IS ENGLISH TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED MAY 12  
IN MADRID. BEGIN TEXT:

JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF THE SPANISH-US COUNCIL  
MAY 12, 1977

THE SPANISH-UNITED STATES COUNCIL, WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED  
BY THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION AND INAUGURATED  
FORMALLY ON OCTOBER 1, 1976, HELD ITS FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL AT THE VIANA PALACE IN MADRID ON MAY 12, 1977.

THE MEETING WAS HELD UNDER THE JOINT CHAIRMANSHIP OF  
FOREIGN MINISTER MARCELINO OREJA AGUIRRE AND SECRETARY OF  
STATE CYRUS R. VANCE. ALSO PARTICIPATING WERE THE PERMANENT  
MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COUNCIL, ADMIRAL CARLOS BUHIGAS  
GARCIA, ACTING PRESIDENT OF THE JUNTA OF CHIEFS OF STAFF OF  
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SPAIN, AND GENERAL GEORGE BROWN, CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED STATES  
JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF, AS WELL AS THE DEPUTY CO-CHAIRMAN, UNDER-  
SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MIGUEL SOLANO, AND UNITED  
STATES AMBASSADOR TO SPAIN, WELLS STABLER. ALSO IN ATTENDANCE  
WERE THE AMBASSADOR OF SPAIN IN WASHINGTON, THE DIRECTOR  
GENERAL FOR NORTH AMERICAN AFFAIRS, THE SPANISH CO-CHAIRMEN  
OF THE JOINT COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AND THE CO-

DIRECTORS OF THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF, AS WELL AS APPROPRIATE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COMMITTEES.

THE COUNCIL REVIEWED DURING THIS FIRST SEMIANNUAL MEETING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE FIRST 7 MONTHS OF THE LIFE OF THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION, IN PARTICULAR THE PROGRESS MADE IN EACH OF ITS FIVE JOINT COMMITTEES.

THE COUNCIL CONSIDERED THE PREPARATIONS FOR ESTABLISHMENT IN MADRID OF THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF AND REQUESTED THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE TO FIX A DATE TO PLACE THIS STAFF IN OPERATION, WITH A VIEW TO SUBMITTING TO THE COUNCIL FOR ITS APPROVAL AT ITS NEXT MEETING A PROGRAM FOR CARRYING OUT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THIS IMPORTANT BODY.

IN THIS SAME VEIN, THE COUNCIL RECEIVED A PRELIMINARY REPORT FROM ITS AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO.

THE COUNCIL ALSO REITERATED THE OBJECTIVE OF THE TWO COUNTRIES TO CONTRIBUTE THROUGH THEIR COOPERATION TO CLOSER TIES IN THE EUROPEAN AND ATLANTIC AREA.

IN THEIR REVIEW OF THE WORLD SITUATION, THE CO-CHAIRMEN EXCHANGED VIEWS ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD, PRINCIPALLY IN EUROPE. THE SECRETARY OF STATE REPORTED ON THE RECENT MEETINGS IN LONDON OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENT AND OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL.

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PRIOR TO THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, THERE WAS ALSO A MEETING OF THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE.

THE NEXT SEMIANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL WILL BE DETERMINED BY AGREEMENT OF THE CO-CHAIRMEN.  
END TEXT.

2. AT A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE HELD AT BARAJAS AIRPORT PRIOR TO DEPARTURE, FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA ANNOUNCED THAT HE EXPECTED THAT THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF WOULD HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING WITHIN 40 DAYS. STABLER

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